IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 11 and 12 as follows:

Claim 1 (Amended) A device for paying out a bonus to a player playing a gaming machine comprising:

a gaming machine;

a dispensing unit comprising a numeric counter for counting the number of coins a player has placed in said gaming machine and visually displaying to said player said number of coins;

said dispensing unit further comprising a [means] <u>visual display</u> showing a player [when a] <u>number of coins needed to generate</u> a ticket [will be generated]; and said dispensing unit further comprising a ticket dispensing apparatus.

- 11. (Amended) The device of claim [1] 7 further comprising;
- a remote unit for changing the number of coins necessary to generate said ticket.
- 12. (Amended) A process for paying out a bonus to a player playing a gaming machine comprising;

placing coins in a gaming machine;

playing said gaming machine comprising a slot machine or gaming device;

counting said coins players place in said gaming machine;

showing said number of counted coins to said player;

showing said player number of coins needed for a ticket to be generated;.

dispensing a ticket when said number of counted coins equals said number of coins needed for a ticket to be generated.